



**Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**December 9, 2024**  
**Powell 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Academy – Media Center**

<b>Called to Order</b>	6:00 p.m. Called to order by President, Anita Banach. 7 members present. 0 members absent.
<b>Pledge of Allegiance</b>	Led by the Board
<b>Approved</b>	<p>Agenda for December 9, 2024 Regular Meeting. Young moved. Rice supported. 7 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion Carried. Agenda Approved.</p> <p>An amendment was made to the agenda to remove item J (closed session).</p>
<b>Presentations</b>	None
<b>Bulldog Spotlight</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Amanda Moore Elementary 4<sup>th</sup> grade students are learning to read and write poetry in their ELA unit. Students shared their own original written poems with the board and audience.</li><li>○ The Romeo 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade choir performed various songs.</li></ul>
<b>Approved</b>	<p><b>Consent Action Items.</b> Young moved. Rice supported. 7 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● General Fund Bills (check register)</li><li>● Financial Reports (summary, revenue &amp; expense reports)</li><li>● Wire Transfer report</li><li>● Purchasing Card Expenditures</li><li>● Minutes from Regular Meeting held on November 11, 2024</li><li>● Minutes from Special Meeting held on November 18, 2024</li><li>● Board Policy Update – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading (<i>Board Policies 2007, 8007</i>)</li></ul>
<b>Informational Updates/New Business</b>	<p><b>Communications –</b> A reminder was given regarding the MCSBA meeting on February 25<sup>th</sup> which will be hosted by Romeo.</p> <p><b>Committee Reports –</b> <i>Policy</i> – Ms. Banach stated that they had the first reading tonight on 2 policies. The first one was the cardiac emergency response plan and the second, discrimination and harassment. They also spoke about conflict of interest and are making it more specific in the policy to develop it for the future. Ms. Rice had brought up ideological and political symbols and they are working with legal counsel to develop a policy on that.</p> <p><i>Curriculum</i> – Ms. Eichhorst stated that a teacher presented at the meeting on a proposal for a World Studies elective and they also discussed an elective for Guitar. Students would be able to select these for next year. The curriculum committee feels strongly that these can be moved forward. Mr. Murray discussed the PD Day at the meeting and the math pilot which they have narrowed down to 2 companies. They discussed CKLA and staff and</p>

parent feedback as well as some of the units that will be coming out in the new year for consideration.

*Facilities* – Mr. Antoine stated there are 3 resolutions before the board tonight. Two are from the technology department which include phase II of classroom technology equipment. The district did not have to go out to bid on the project because the previously used vendor offered the same pricing as phase I. The other resolution is for site work for parking lots. They received updates on group 1 & 2 projects. Crosswell inspections have been completed. They are working on punch list items for the RHS athletic field. Additions for Amanda Moore & Washington have been completed. Renovations at the Admin building are in progress. A change order update was given and there was nothing that required board approval. Mr. Storm presented a summer roofing project which will use sinking funds & gave an update on contracts for lawn services and custodial contract. They also discussed Ham-Par and the water treatment system & discussed hiring a consultant service to work on that.

Dr Robinson mentioned several bond construction resolutions are coming in January. They will lean on members in the current facility committee to get the through those.

**Superintendent’s Report –**

*Academic Services Update –*

*Elementary* – Mr. Murray gave an elementary update. He stated that he has virtual calls set up with 2 companies to see how to best fit the math pilot programs into the current curriculum. They are hopeful that plans will be set after the new year. Work continues on enrollment procedures. Last year the district switched to a new enrollment system which they will be fine-tuning to make it as seamless as possible.

*Secondary* – Ms. McFarlane gave a secondary update and mentioned that they are also in a 6-12 math pilot. Three vendors presented to teachers and they have selected 2 to look further into. They are ramping up the RMS master plan and will go through it to be sure they meet the rubric to designate it as a Ford NGL school. As part of the middle school experience, they are hosting a non-profit exploration fair.

**2021 Bond Update –**

Dr. Robinson mentioned the projects on the agenda tonight. He stated that they reviewed bid tabs for sitework improvement projects for parking lot replacements.

*Safety Update -*

Dr. Robinson spoke regarding Resolution 88 for the approval of the updated RCS EOP. He mentioned that it is a collective effort with Macomb County and emergency management and that they offered a template which we made more specific to our schools and district. He spoke about the updates and stated there are 13 specific areas that are included in the EOP. A biennial review requires that 1 law enforcement agency be included and that the Board adopts it at a public meeting. Dr. Robinson stated that he is grateful to the Romeo Police Dept. for signing off on the biennial review.

Ms. Eichhorst commented that she took the binder home and stated that it is very thorough and thinks the board can feel good about approving it tonight.

Dr. Robinson thanked the 3 board members whose terms are ending. He thanked them for their years of service and presented them with an award.

**Public Comment**

None

**Approved**

**Resolutions**

- **Employee Services Resolution #84 – Personnel Update**  
Young moved. Conner supported. 7 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.

- **Facilities Resolution #85 – 2024 RCS Site Improvements Proj. Contract Approval**  
Young moved. Antoine supported. 7 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.
  - **Academic Services Resolution #86 – District Automated External Defibrillator (AED) Refresh**  
Rice moved. Eichhorst supported. 7 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.
  - **Academic Services Resolution #87 – RHS New Course Proposals**
    - (a) World Studies Religion. Eichhorst moved. Rice supported. 7 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.
    - (b) Guitar - Young moved. Eichhorst supported. 7 Ayes, 0 Nays. Motion carried.
  - **Superintendent’s Resolution #88 – RCS Biennial EOP Review Approval**  
Young moved. Conner supported. 7 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.
  - **Business Services Resolution #89 – Summer Tax Levy**  
Demas moved. Young supported. 7 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.
- Ms. Laseke stated that it is for the year 2025.
- **Technology Resolution #90 – AV Upgrades – Phase II**  
Antoine moved. Conner supported. 7 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.
  - **Technology Resolution #91 – RMS Auditorium Upgrades – Phase I**  
Antoine moved. Conner supported. 7 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.
  - **Board of Education Resolution #92 – Superintendent’s Annual Evaluation**  
Young moved. Demas supported. 7 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion carried.

Ms. Banach explained that they are required to annually evaluate the Superintendent on an approved evaluation tool which they were trained on. They identified Dr. Robinson as effective which is the highest rating you can have.

**Board Discussion/  
For the Good of  
the District**

Dr. Demas, Mr. Young and Mr. Conner spoke about their time serving on the board and gave parting comments.

**Public Comment**

Resident Kim Voss spoke regarding the Prospect Street Property. She spoke of the land as a place of reflection and learning and stated that they are excited to create a beautiful green space. She thanked the board for the time they were given and stated she hopes they will find a way to do a good thing to benefit so many far into the future.

**Adjournment**

7:22 p.m. Demas moved. Conner supported. 7 Ayes. 0 Nays. Motion Carried.

Approved by: Katherine Rice, Secretary \_\_\_\_\_